

CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-__

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilor Joseph M. Maestas

Councilor Renee Villarreal

A RESOLUTION

**CALLING FOR A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR TRANSIT CONSOLIDATION
BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANTA FE AND THE NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL
TRANSIT DISTRICT.**

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe (“City”) and the North Central Regional Transit District (“NCRTD”) both operate separate transit systems serving riders within the municipal boundaries of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City and the NCRTD have an interest in working to identify opportunities to achieve increased coordination, cost efficiencies and consolidation of the City system by the NCRTD; and

WHEREAS, the NCRTD annually contributes funding in excess of \$950,000 to the City for services operated by the City deemed to be regional in nature as defined in the NCRTD’s Financial Policies; and

WHEREAS, the City currently levies a 1/4% Municipal Gross Receipts tax which is dedicated to the public bus system and quality of life purposes of which approximately 62% is

1 historically allocated to the public bus system; and

2 **WHEREAS**, the City and the NCRTD wish to explore the feasibility of a consolidation
3 of their services; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the NCRTD recently voted unanimously to support a study of a merger
5 with the City of Santa Fe transportation services.

6 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
7 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the City Manager is directed to work with the NCRTD to explore the
8 feasibility of consolidating the Santa Fe transit system into the NCRTD, to include participating
9 and funding of a feasibility study in an amount equal to half the match required to leverage the
10 grant for this purpose, and is authorized to enter into a letter of intent with the NCRTD as
11 attached as Exhibit A.

12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the NCRTD will request \$150,000 in Federal
13 Transit Administration (FTA) Section 304 Planning funds through the New Mexico Department
14 of Transportation (NMDOT); and that the funding being sought is for the explicit purpose of
15 retaining a firm to analyze the possibility of a consolidation of the City transit system into the
16 NCRTD; and that any such FTA funds awarded will be subject to a 20% matching requirement,
17 which will be split between the parties.

18 PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2016.

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21 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

22 ATTEST:

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25 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

1 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY

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25 *M/Legislation/Resolutions 2016/Transit Consolidation Study*